I claim:

1. A tool for applying grout into a recess between adjacent tile surfaces comprising:

a body for gripping by the user;

an elongate, resilient channel member on the body adapted for retaining a line of grout and delivering the grout into the recess by aligning and pressing of the channel member over the recess; and

a finishing portion on the body for compressing and shaping the grout after delivery into the recess.

2. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the channel member is mountable to the body to extend in an arcuate configuration over the length of the channel member.

3. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the channel member comprises a pair of spaced side walls that define an elongate cavity facing away from the body to receive the line of grout.

4. A tool as claimed in claim 3 in which the cavity is generally U-shaped in cross-section.

5. A tool as claimed in claim 3 in which the cavity is formed with an internal surface adapted to release the line of grout when compressed over the recess.

6. A tool as claimed in claim 5 in which the internal surface is formed with a plurality of spaced, transverse ribs along the length of the channel member.

7. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the channel member is mountable to the body by a mounting arrangement comprising:

at least two anchor points formed on the body; and

a resilient band formed on the channel member adapted to be stretched about the anchor points to retain the channel member against the body.

8. A tool as claimed in claim 7 in which the body includes an arcuate surface extending between the at least two anchor points and the resilient channel member is mounted via the resilient band adjacent the arcuate surface which imparts an arcuate shape to the channel member over the length of the channel member.

9. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the body includes an arcuate surface and the resilient channel member is mounted adjacent the arcuate surface which imparts an arcuate shape to the channel member over the length of the channel member.

10. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the channel member is made from rubber.

11. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the channel member and the finishing portion are arranged on different regions of the body such that the finishing portion is positioned for use after the channel member delivers grout to the recess.

12. A tool as claimed in claim 1 in which the finishing portion comprises:

a compressing member to compress and shape the grout in the recess;

a scraping portion to channel grout into the recess and remove excess grout.

13 ~~12.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 11 in which the compressing member comprises a projection extending from the body having a distal end surface to compress and shape the grout in the recess on dragging of the finishing portion along the recess.

14 ~~13.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 11 in which the scraping portion includes a resilient surface to engage the tile.

15 ~~14.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 13 including ridges formed on the resilient surface to direct grout toward the recess on dragging of the resilient surface along the recess.

16 ~~15.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 13 in which the resilient surface includes a generally V-shaped passage adapted to collect and direct grout into the recess.

17 ~~16.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 13 in which the resilient surface includes at least one opening to receive excess grout and direct the grout away from the resilient surface.

18 ~~17.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 11 in which the scraping portion comprises a resilient member adapted to be releasably mounted to the body, the resilient member having a resilient surface to direct grout to the recess, a generally V-shaped passage adapted to collect and direct grout in the recess and at least one opening therethrough to receive excess grout and direct the grout away from the resilient surface.

19 ~~18.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 17 in which the resilient member is formed with two openings adjacent the V-shaped passage

20 ~~19.~~ A tool for delivering grout into a recess between adjacent tile surfaces comprising:

a body for gripping by the user;

an elongate, resilient channel member on the body adapted for retaining a line of grout and delivering the grout into the recess by aligning and pressing of the channel member over the recess.

21 ~~20.~~ A tool as claimed in claim 19 including a finishing portion on the body for

compressing and shaping the grout after delivery into the recess.

22 ~~21~~. A tool for compressing and shaping grout within a recess comprising:

a body;

a compressing member extending from the body to compress and shape the grout in the recess; and

a scraping portion mounted to the body to channel grout into the recess and remove excess grout.

23 ~~22~~. A tool as claimed in claim 21 including an elongate, resilient channel member on the body adapted for retaining a line of grout and delivering the grout into the recess by aligning and pressing of the channel member over the recess.